

REMARKS

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed January 23, 2009, which has been reviewed and carefully considered. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the amendments made above and the remarks to follow are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7, 9 and 11-22 remain in this application, where claims 1, 9 and 17 are independent.

In the Office Action, claims 1-7, 9 and 11-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101. This rejection is traversed. However, without agreeing with the position forwarded in the Final Office Action and in the interest of advancing prosecution, the specification and claims 1, 9 and 17 have been amended for better clarity, where it is well known that a computer system includes a processor that executes a computer program or computer readable instructions to perform desired acts in accordance with the computer program/instructions. Further, it is well known to one skilled in the art that a text-to-speech system outputs synthesized

signal as a speech signal from a speaker. It is respectfully submitted that the rejection of claims 1-7, 9 and 11-12 has been overcome. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, claims 1-7, 9 and 11-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. This rejection is respectfully traversed. However, to advance prosecution, claims 1, 9 and 17 has been amended for better clarity. It is respectfully submitted that this rejection of claims 1-7, 9 and 11-12 has been overcome. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-7, 9 and 11-12 are allowable, and allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

In addition, Applicant denies any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing argument and response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicant reserves the right to

submit further arguments in support of the above stated position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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